

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Since transitioning to a new registration system in April of 2020, our vendor network went from 361 at the beginning of 2020 to its current state of 197. Vendors are not willing to sell certificates of number for such a minimal return. In particular, many legislators, county assessors, and private vendors have raised concerns that this reimbursement is woefully inadequate. The \$1.50 fee retained by the vendor has not been updated since its origination while the costs to sell these stickers are increasing. The average wage of a vendor's employee is \$14.00. It can take up to 10 minutes with a customer to obtain the required information to sell a certificate of number. The current \$1.50 vendor fee does not cover the cost of those employees selling the IDPR products. OHV increase from \$12.00 to \$15.00 for residents and \$20.00 for non-residents. IDPR is receiving the exact same amount of funds as they did 35 years ago per certificate of number. The dedicated funding revenue will be administered by the statewide IDPR Off-Highway Vehicle Program which provides OHV safety education and public outreach, funds OHV maintenance crews, provides online mapping, and funds trail projects throughout the State

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no impact on the state's General fund. The vendor fee increase will be borne by the customer. The Department anticipates approximately \$400,000 in new dedicated fund revenue to support the OHV program coming directly from the OHV fee increase.

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